Citizen Journalist Traces the Science to Debunk Public Health Misinformation

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Sarah Barry wanted to become a fighter for something—but she didn't know exactly what.

Citizen journalist Sarah Barry

"I was frustrated with all that was going on in the world. I knew I couldn't wave a magic wand and fix everything, but I wanted to help in some small way," said the 28-year-old who lives in Columbus, Ohio, and works in IT.

She decided to leverage her research skills to help correct misinformation about vaccines and public health.

For Barry, the Wayback Machine has been critical in tracking the science and sharing what she's discovered. Without the Internet Archive, she said, valuable internet history that she needs to do effective research would have been completely lost.

"I use the Internet Archive to look up old links and resources that have since gone defunct," said Barry. "I also use the Archive to actively input web pages that need to be saved or saved again to ensure that any resources I'm currently using are saved for mine or other's future reference."

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She has turned into a citizen journalist and independent activist, volunteering for nonprofit organizations to better inform the public. Barry has given public presentations on her findings and provided materials to reporters that have appeared in a variety of news outlets.

As a millennial, Barry said she grew up being active online and has long used the Internet Archive as a tool. "It's a common language among people like me who do research," she said. "We all know the Internet Archive is legit."

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